

Council Chambers-City Council
City Hall - City of Lodi
Monday, August 17th, 1931

This regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi was called to order by the Mayor at 8.05 o'clock on the date first above written, Councilmen Keagle, Roach, Steele, Weihe and Spooner present, none absent.

The minutes of the last regular meeting held August 3rd 1931 were read, approved as read and so endorsed by the Mayor.

Miss Amy L. Boynton, Librarian of Lodi Public Library presented the estimate of the needs of the Library for the next fiscal year and consideration was laid over until the presentation of the annual budget.

Mr Cecil A. Williams representing the Lodi Business Men's Association asked that some means of crossing Cherokee Lane be devised during the construction work now in progress and the City Engineer was directed to take such steps as possible to open main crossings and have the State put the intersection at Lockeford Street in passable condition.

On motion of Councilman Weihe, Roach second, the Mayor was authorized to sign a letter setting forth the terms and conditions whereby the State of California would take care of the construction of two ten-foot lanes running from Lockeford Street to Vine Street on Cherokee Lane.

The Clerk read a copy of a letter written by City Engineer Edward K. Hussey to R. H. Crumney and G. D. Myers apprising them of the taking effect of the alien labor law on public works.

The Clerk was authorized to purchase four copies of the hand book on California Municipal Government to be issued shortly by the League of California Municipalities.

Mr W. J. Robinson protested by letter against the water charge made at 300 and 304 East Lodi Avenue but the charge being according to ordinance, no remedy was possible except through Mr Robinson's installing a new tap.

Two building permits for additions to existing dwellings amounting to \$200.00 were ordered granted.

The City Treasurer having reported to the Clerk that there was a deficiency in the Street Assessment Bond Fund due to 1930 delinquencies, a transfer of funds was directed by the adoption of the following -

RESOLUTION No. 641

WHEREAS, the City Treasurer reports an overdraft on the General Fund of \$1,658.56 to Street Assessment Bond Fund caused by delinquent payments of principal and interest on street improvement assessments due in 1930-31, and whereas, there are outstanding bonds and coupons in addition to the above amount still unpaid, (not presented), making a total of \$2,321.56 ;

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$1,344.87 be transferred from the General Fund to Street Assessment bond Fund and that the City Clerk pay over to the City Treasurer for account of the said Street Assessment Bond Fund from his Street Assessment Account, the sum of \$746.09 collected on assessments paid before due date on which the maturity of bonds have not been advanced and the money paid in.

The foregoing Resolution No. 641 was passed and adopted by the following vote :-

AYES: Councilmen, Steele, Weihe, Keagle, Roach and Spooner.
NOES: None ABSENT: None.

On application of the Class Secretary, the Class of 1911 of Lodi Union High School was allowed the use of the park at Maple Square for the evening of August 23rd.

The California Vineyardists Association having applied for a room for the next crop season, the Clerk was instructed to let them have a room on the lower floor at \$15.00 per month

ORDINANCE No. 185 " AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO THE CENTRAL CALIFORNIA TRACTION COMPANY AND TO ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS FOR SUCH TERM PERIOD AND LENGTH OF TIME AS SHALL MEET WITH THE PLEASURE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LODI, THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE AND PERMISSION TO CONSTRUCT AND MAINTAIN RAILROAD TRACKS OF STANDARD GAUGE, AND OPERATING LOCOMOTIVES CARS MOTORS AND OTHER ROLLING STOCK UPON OVER AND ACROSS CERTAIN STREETS IN THE CITY OF LODI " having been regularly introduced on petition of the grantee at the regular meeting of the City Council held August 3rd., 1931 and thereat laid over for the statutory period of not less than five days, was introduced for final passage and finally passed and ordered to print by the following vote :-

AYES	Councilmen Steele, Weihe, Keagle, Roach & Spooner.
NOES	None ABSENT None.

The contract for flowage rights in the "south branch" canal of Woodbridge Irrigation District presented to the City Council July 6, 1931 was again brought up amended as to the preservation of the right to sell water to D. B. Doepke in the years 1932 and 1933 and execution of the contract was directed by the adoption of Resolution No. 642 by the following vote :-

AYES	Councilmen, Steele, Weihe, Keagle, Roach, Spooner.
NOES	None ABSENT None.

(Note- this resolution is embodied in the contract now on file in the office of the City Clerk and is not herein set out because of the length thereof)

Bills in the amount of \$4,403.65 as approved by the Finance Committee were allowed and ordered paid on motion of Councilman Weihe, Roach second.

Mr Robert M. Searls being in attendance, addressed the Council and citizens present on the steps taken to bring about a settlement of water rights with East Bay Municipal Utility District and Pacific Gas & Electric Company.

After hearing Mr Searls report and discussing the same, the following resolution was adopted :

RESOLUTION No. 643

WHEREAS, an action numbered 22415 wherein this City is plaintiff and East Bay Municipal Utility District, Pacific Gas and Electric Company and others defendants, has been set for trial on September 1st., 1931 in the Superior Court of San Joaquin County ;

AND, WHEREAS, Mr Robert M. Searls, Associate Counsel for the City has rendered a full report orally this evening to this City Council, stating the efforts made to effect a compromise settlement without success :

RESOLVED, that this City Council of the City of Lodi in regular session this seventeenth day of August, 1931, hereby commends Mr Searls and Mr Glenn West, City Attorney, for their efforts in endeavoring to safeguard the City's rights and accepts Mr Searls report without reservation, feeling that everything has been done to effect an amicable settlement possible under the circumstances ;

ALSO, BE IT RESOLVED, that this City Council hereby does direct that the pending suit be immediately brought to trial, using every means at the command of the City to prosecute it to a successful conclusion and that the City Attorney co-operate with Mr Searls, using his knowledge of local conditions as an especial aid in furthering our purposes as well as putting forth every effort possible to effect a speedy and a complete hearing of our cause.

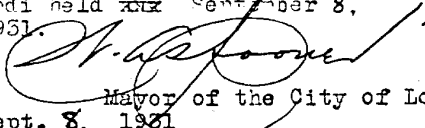
The foregoing Resolution No. 643 was adopted by the following vote :-

AYES: Councilmen, Steele, Weihe, Roach, Keagle, Weihe
and Spooner.
NOES: Councilmen, None.
ABSENT: Councilmen, None.

No further business appearing, the City Council adjourned on motion of Councilman Weihe to 8 o'clock P.M. of Monday, August 24, 1931.

Attest: 
City Clerk.

The foregoing minutes read
and approved without correction at a meeting of the
City Council of the City of
Lodi held ~~on~~ September 8,
1931.


Mayor of the City of Lodi
Sept. 8, 1931